

## DHCD MULTIFAMILY HOUSING UPDATES

# **Multifamily Housing Notice 18-03**

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**To:** Developers, Sponsors and Local Housing Contacts

**From:** Gregory Hare, Director, Multifamily Housing

Re: Federal FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Bill -- LIHTC Provisions

**Reminder: Pre-Round Information Session** 

### Federal FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Bill – LIHTC Provisions

On March 23, 2018, Congress passed and the President signed the FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Bill. The spending bill makes two (2) changes to the LIHTC Program: 1) increase in the allocation of LIHTCs available to states by 12.5% for the next four years; and 2) permits "income averaging" which would allow units with income and rent restrictions of up to 80% Area Median Income (AMI) to be eligible for LIHTCs. You can view these changes on pages 2049-2055 of the spending bill at the following website:

### http://docs.house.gov/billsthisweek/20180319/BILLS-115SAHR1625-RCP115-66.pdf

With regards to the 12.5% increase in LIHTC allocation, the current QAP and Guide establish the Department's priorities and the additional credits will be allocated through the normal competitive funding rounds.

With regards to income averaging, DHCD is working diligently to explore the impact of this change in the LIHTC program rules. We value your input and want to assure you that any feedback we receive will be taken into consideration as we formulate policies and procedures.









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### **Reminder: Pre-Round Information Session**

DHCD will hold a Pre-Round Information Session on April 4, 2018 from 10 am – 12 pm in the DHCD Main Conference Room at 7800 Harkins Road, Lanham, Maryland 20706. At this session, DHCD will discuss resources available for the Round, explain changes to the QAP and Guide or process, and provide an opportunity for questions and answers. Parking is available in the BLUE section on the second level of the REMY parking garage. All visitors must enter and exit via the REMY & retail main entrance directly off Harkins Road.

If you have any questions, please contact me via email at <a href="mailto:gregory.hare@maryland.gov">gregory.hare@maryland.gov</a> or call me at 301-429-7775.

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